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KENNETH SHAFER ET AL :

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FILED: MAY 11, 2001 : **EXAMINER: LOPEZ, CARLOS N.**

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Preliminary to examination, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows.